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Electrically Connecting a Wire  
of One Article to a Contact of  
Another Article

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- 2) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicants enclose a Sixth Form PTO-1449, and copies of the references listed thereon.
- 3) Since the Finality of the Office Action of April 14, 2003 was withdrawn (see paragraph 1 on page 2 of the Election Requirement of October 17, 2003), this Information Disclosure Statement is properly filed under 37 CFR 1.97(c)(2) with the accompanying fee payment of \$180.00 (included in the enclosed Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038), and before issuance of a Final Office Action or Notice of Allowance.

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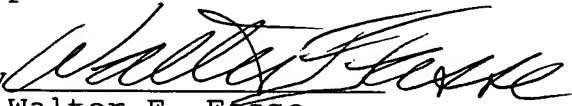
- 4) The present references AS to AF2 are in English. Thus, no further discussion of the references is necessary. These references are cited as possibly material herein because they were made of record in the related applications 10/017,977, 10/017,987, and 10/445,182.
- 5) Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialled copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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